

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

House passed H.R. 2861, VA/HUD Appropriations.

House passed H.R. 2859, FY 2003 Emergency Supplemental Appropriations.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S9925–S9992*

**Measures Introduced:** Fourteen bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1455–1468, S. Res. 200–201, and S. Con. Res. 61–62. **Page S9959**

#### Measures Reported:

S. 678, to amend chapter 10 of title 39, United States Code, to include postmasters and postmasters organizations in the process for the development and planning of certain policies, schedules, and programs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–112)

H. Con. Res. 209, commending the signing of the United States-Adriatic Charter, a charter of partnership among the United States, Albania, Croatia, and Macedonia, with amendments and with an amended preamble.

S. Res. 184, calling on the Government of the People's Republic of China immediately and unconditionally to release Dr. Yang Jianli, with amendments and with an amended preamble. **Page S9959**

#### Measures Passed:

**National Good Neighbor Day:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 124, designating September 28, 2003, as "National Good Neighbor Day". **Page S9986**

**Recognizing the Founding of the Harley-Davidson Motor Company:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 167, recognizing the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Harley-Davidson Motor Company, which has been a significant part of the social, economic, and cultural heritage of the United States and many other nations and a leading force for product and manufacturing innovation throughout the 20th century. **Pages S9986–87**

**National Purple Heart Recognition Day:** Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 40, designating August 7, 2003, as "National Purple Heart Recognition Day".

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**National Children's Memorial Day:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 196, designating December 14, 2003, as "National Children's Memorial Day", and the resolution was then agreed to.

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**National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 201, designating the month of September 2003 as "National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month".

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**Honoring Korean War Veterans:** Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 62, honoring the service and sacrifice of Korean War veterans.

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**Energy Policy Act:** Senate resumed consideration of S. 14, to enhance the energy security of the United States, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

**Pages S9926–27, S9941–43**

#### Adopted:

Domenici (for Inhofe) Amendment No. 1390, to authorize grants to the Ground Water Protection Council to develop risk-based data management systems in State oil and gas agencies to assist States and oil and gas producers with compliance, economic forecasting, permitting, and exploration.

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Bingaman (for Durbin/Collins) Amendment No. 1391, to encourage energy conservation through bicycling.

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Bingaman (for Harkin) Amendment No. 1392, to provide for a renewable production of hydrogen demonstration and commercial application program.

**Pages S9941–42**

Bingaman (for Schumer) Amendment No. 1393, to require the Secretary of Energy to transmit to

Congress a plan for the transfer of title to the Western New York Service Center in West Valley, New York. **Pages S9941–42**

Bingaman/Domenici Amendment No. 1394, to provide for the preservation and archiving of geological and geophysical data through establishment of a data archive system. **Pages S9941–42**

Bingaman (for Lautenberg) Amendment No. 1395, of a clarifying nature. **Pages S9941–42**

Domenici Amendment No. 1396, to extend the Clean Coal program through 2012. **Pages S9942–43**

Domenici/Murkowski Amendment No. 1397, to provide for the calculation of coastal impact assistance payments based on previous years' revenues. **Pages S9942–43**

Domenici Amendment No. 1398, to remove the requirement that the Secretary must hold coastal impact assistance payments in escrow in certain circumstances. **Pages S9942–43**

Domenici Amendment No. 1399, to clarify that certain hydrogen demonstration programs include the entire National Park System. **Pages S9942–43**

Domenici Amendment No. 1400, to modify the definition of research in regards to the Next Generation Lighting Initiative. **Pages S9942–43**

Bingaman (for Landrieu) Amendment No. 1401, to make technical changes to Sec. 111 relative to impact assistance payments to States and political subdivisions. **Pages S9942–43**

Pending:

Campbell Amendment No. 886, to replace "tribal consortia" with "tribal energy resource development organizations". **Pages S9926–27**

Durbin Amendment No. 1384, to amend title 49, United States Code, to improve the system for enhancing automobile fuel efficiency. **Pages S9926–27**

Durbin Modified Amendment No. 1385, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide additional tax incentives for enhancing motor vehicle fuel efficiency. **Pages S9926–27**

Bond Amendment No. 1386, to impose additional requirements for improving automobile fuel economy and reducing vehicle emissions. **Pages S9926–27**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 11 a.m., on Monday, July 28, 2003. **Page S9988**

**Homeland Security Appropriations—Amendment Modified:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that, notwithstanding the July 24, 2003 passage of H.R. 2555, Homeland Security Appropriations, Hutchison Amendment No. 1364, to provide for advanced funding to authorized entities performing duties under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act

who respond to disasters declared by the President, which was previously agreed to, was modified. **Page S9986**

**Nomination Considered:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Priscilla Richman Owen, of Texas, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit. **Page S9986**

A third motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Tuesday, July 29, 2003. **Page S9986**

**Nomination—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that, notwithstanding the order of Thursday, July 24, 2003, Senate will consider the nomination of Earl Leroy Yeakel III, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas, at 5:20 p.m., on Monday, July 28, 2003, with a vote on confirmation of the nomination to occur at 5:30 p.m.; following which, Senate will confirm the nomination of Kathleen Cardone, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas. **Page S9986**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Janice R. Brown, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit.

Brett M. Kavanaugh, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit.

John Joseph Grossenbacher, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for the remainder of the term expiring June 30, 2004.

John Joseph Grossenbacher, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2009. (Reappointment) **Page S9992**

**Messages From the House:** **Page S9957**

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**Authority for Committees to Meet:** **Page S9980**

**Text of H.R. 2555 as Previously Passed:** **Pages S9980–86**

**Recess:** Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and recessed at 3:35 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Monday, July 28, 2003.

(For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9989.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### ALIEN SMUGGLING/HUMAN TRAFFICKING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Crime, Corrections and Victims' Rights concluded hearings to examine deterrence of alien smuggling and human trafficking, focusing on these as two distinct crimes posing challenges for international law enforcement, legislative and law enforcement efforts, the nature of the offenses, the evolution of trafficking and smuggling networks, coordination with foreign law en-

forcement, reorganization of resources within the Department of Justice, interagency and international cooperation, significant prosecutions, and sentencing and penalty issues, after receiving testimony from John Malcolm, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Paul K. Charlton, United States Attorney, District of Arizona, and Jane J. Boyle, United States Attorney, Northern District of Texas, all of the Department of Justice; Charles H. Demore, Interim Assistant Director of Investigations, Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and Robert L. Harris, Deputy Chief, United States Border Patrol, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, both of the Department of Homeland Security; and Sharon B. Cohn, International Justice Mission, Washington, D.C.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Measures Introduced:** 92 public bills, H.R. 2896–2987; and 18 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 260–269, and H. Res. 242–249, were introduced.

Pages H7781–86

**Additional Cosponsors:**

Pages H7786–88

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 1303, to amend the E-Government Act of 2002 with respect to rulemaking authority of the Judicial Conference, amended (H. Rept. 108–239);

Conference report on H.R. 2115, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize programs for the Federal Aviation Administration (H. Rept. 108–240); and

H.R. 1561, to amend title 35, United States Code, with respect to patent fees, amended (H. Rept. 108–241).

Pages H7718–64, H7781

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Boozman to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today.

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**Tax Relief, Simplification, and Equity Act Motions to Instruct Conferees:** The House rejected the Solis motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1308, the All American Tax Relief Act by a nay-and-nay vote of 206 yeas to 216 nays, Roll No. 447, and later rejected the Bishop motion to instruct conferees on the bill by a recorded vote of 202 yeas to 221 noes, Roll No. 449.

Pages H7622–30, H7644, H7645–46

**Emergency Supplemental Appropriations:** The House passed H.R. 2859, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the FY 2003 by a recorded vote of 352 yeas to 60 noes, Roll No. 459.

Pages H7647–54, H7713–15

Rejected the Toomey amendment that seeks to offset the cost of the bill by rescinding already appropriated unobligated FY03 discretionary funds (rejected by a nay-and-nay vote of 111 yeas and 300 nays, Roll No. 458).

Pages H7650–54, H7714

The House agreed to H. Res 339, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill and agreed to the Hastings amendment to the rule by voice votes. The Hastings amendment made in order an amendment to be offered by Representative Toomey or his designee.

Pages H7637–44

Earlier agreed to order the previous question on the rule and the amendment by a recorded vote of 219 yeas to 200 noes, Roll No. 448.

Pages H7644–45

**Late Reports:** The Committee on Appropriations received permission to have until midnight of July 30 to file a privileged report making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation and Treasury, and independent agencies for FY04.

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**VA/HUD Appropriations:** The House passed H.R. 2861, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, by a nay-and-nay vote of 316 yeas to 109 nays, Roll No. 456.

Pages H7655–H7713

Agreed to:

Kirk amendment No. 13 printed in the Congressional Record of July 24 that requires a report on sharing agreements between the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Defense; **Page H7682**

Hastings amendment No. 5 printed in the Congressional Record of July 24 that increases funding for the EPA Environmental Programs and Management by \$550,000; **Pages H7682–83**

Walsh amendment that strikes language dealing with health effect studies on drinking water contaminants, Sec. 408 dealing with contracts, and Sec. 409 dealing with American made goods and services; **Page H7683**

Dingell Amendment No. 2 printed in the Congressional Record of July 24 that increases funding for the EPA Office of Enforcement by \$1 million for enforcement of bilateral agreements; **Pages H7683–84**

Fattah amendment to increase funding for Hope VI, public housing revitalization program \$4.5 million; **Pages H7685–86**

Smith of New Jersey amendment No. 12 printed in the Congressional Record of July 24 that restores funding for VA Medical Emergency Preparedness Centers (agreed to by a recorded vote of 347 ayes to 77 noes, Roll No. 451); **Pages H7687–88, H7708–09**

Hall amendment No. 11 printed in the Congressional Record of July 24 that allocates \$15 million for the Space Shuttle Life Extension Program to develop concepts to increase crew survivability; **Pages H7688–89**

Capps amendment No. 7 printed in the Congressional Record of July 24 that increases funding to clean up leaking underground storage tanks by \$7.3 million; **Pages H7690–91**

Sanders amendment No. 15 printed in the Congressional Record of July 24 that allows the VA to conduct outreach or marketing to enroll veterans in VA programs; **Pages H7691–92**

Nadler amendment that increases funding for the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS by \$5 million; **Pages H7692–93**

Allen amendment that prohibits EPA from using a numerical estimate that devalues the lives of older individuals; **Page H7693**

Lynch amendment No. 8 printed in the Congressional Record of July 24 that expresses the sense of Congress that no veteran should wait more than 30 days for an initial doctors appointment with the VA; **Pages H7693–94**

Bishop amendment that continues the ban on human testing of pesticides; **Pages H7694–95**

Inslee amendment that increases funding for the EPA Office of Compliance and Enforcement by \$5.4 million in salaries and expenses for 54 positions; **Page H7695**

Nadler amendment No. 6 printed in the Congressional Record of July 24 that increases funding for Section 8 housing vouchers by \$150 million (agreed to by recorded vote of 217 ayes to 208 noes, Roll No. 453); **Pages H7695–99, H7710**

Jackson-Lee amendment that prohibits funds from being used for voluntary separation incentive payments unless NASA certifies that such payments would not result in a loss of skilled workers; **Pages H7699–H7700**

Rejected:

Stearns amendment No. 10 printed in the Congressional Record of July 24 that sought to increase funding for medical and prosthetic research by \$5 million (rejected by recorded vote of 154 ayes to 264 noes, Roll No. 452); **Pages H7689–90, H7709–10**

Meeks amendment that sought to prohibit funds for terminating services by the Department of Veterans Affairs at the medical facility in St. Albans, Queens, New York; **Pages H7704–05**

Markey amendment that sought to increase funding for the EPA Hazardous Substance Superfund by \$114 million (rejected by recorded vote of 114 ayes to 309 noes, Roll No. 454); **Pages H7700–02, H7710–11**

Lee amendment that sought to increase funding for Homeless Assistance Grants by \$83 million (rejected by recorded vote of 192 ayes to 232 noes, Roll No. 455); **Pages H7705–06, H7711–12**

Withdrawn:

Moran of Kansas amendment No. 16 printed in the Congressional Record of July 24, that was offered but subsequently withdrawn, that would have increased the reimbursement rate for veterans traveling to health care facilities; and **Page H7695**

Moore amendment that was offered but subsequently withdrawn, would have required the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to notify Congress 60 days before closing any VA hospital. **Page H7704**

Point of Order Sustained Against:

Smith en bloc amendments Nos. 17 and 18 printed in the Congressional Record of July 24 that sought to increase funding for veterans health care; **Pages H7684–85**

Edwards amendment that sought to increase funding for veterans health care; **Pages H7706–08**

H. Res. 338, providing for consideration of the bill was passed by a nay-and-nay vote of 229 yeas to 196 nays, Roll No. 450. **Pages H7630–37, H7646**

**Summer District Work Period:** The House passed H. Con. Res. 259, providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate, by a nay-and-nay vote of 376 yeas to 40 nays, Roll No. 457. **Page H7713**

**State Children's Health Insurance Program:** The House passed H.R. 2854, to amend title XXI of the Social Security Act to extend the availability of allotments for fiscal years 1998 through 2001 under the State Children's Health Insurance Program.

Pages H7715–16

**Mosquito Abatement for Safety and Health Act:** The House passed S. 1015, to authorize grants through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for mosquito control programs to prevent mosquito-borne diseases—clearing the measure for the President.

Pages H7716–18

**Prison Rape Elimination Act:** The House passed S. 1435, Prison Rape Elimination Act—clearing the measure for the President.

Pages H7764–71

**Barbara B. Kennelly Post Office, Hartford, Connecticut:** The House passed H.R. 2746, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 141 Weston Street in Hartford, Connecticut, as the “Barbara B. Kennelly Post Office Building.”

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**National Marina Day:** The House agreed to H. Res. 323, Supporting the goals and ideals of National Marina Day.

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**Order of Business—District of Columbia Appropriations Act:** Agreed by unanimous consent to that it be in order at any time for the Speaker as though pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule 18 to declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of H.R. 2765, District of Columbia Appropriations Act which shall proceed according to the order as announced. Subsequently agreed that H. Res. 334 be laid on the table.

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**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, September 3.

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**Meeting Hour:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 4 p.m. on Thursday, July 29, 2003, unless it sooner has received a message from the Senate transmitting its adoption of H. Con. Res. 259, in which case the House shall stand adjourned pursuant to that concurrent resolution.

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**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Tom Davis of Virginia or if not available to perform this duty Representative Wolf or Representative Bartlett to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through September 3, 2003.

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**Appointment of Inspector General:** The Chair announced the joint appointment by the Speaker, Ma-

jority leader, and Minority Leader of Mr. Steven A. McNamara of Sterling, Virginia to the position of Inspector General for the House of Representatives for the 108th Congress effective January 3, 2003.

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**Board of Trustees of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representative Kennedy of Rhode Island to the Board of Trustees of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

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**United States Holocaust Memorial Council:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representatives Lantos and Frost to the United States Holocaust Memorial Council.

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**Board of Visitors to the United States Coast Guard Academy:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representative Filner to the Board of Visitors to the United States Coast Guard Academy.

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**Senate Messages:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H7715.

**Referral:** S. Con. Res. 62 was referred to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs and International Relations. S. Con. Res. 40 was held at the desk.

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**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H7788.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Five nay-and-nay votes and eight recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H7644, H7644–45, H7645–46, H7646, H7708–09, H7709–10, H7710, H7710–11, H7711–12, H7712, H7713, H7714, and H7714–15. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 259, the House stands adjourned until 4 p.m. on Thursday, July 29, 2003, unless it sooner has received a message from the Senate transmitting its adoption of H. Con. Res. 259, in which case the House shall stand adjourned until 2 p.m. on Wednesday, September 3.

## Committee Meetings

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

**Committee on the Judiciary:** Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 1829, amended, Federal prison Industries Competition in Contracting Act of 2003; H.R. 292, Korean War Veterans Recognition Act of 2003; H. Res. 234, condemning bigotry and violence against Arab-Americans, Muslim-Americans, South Asian-Americans, and Sikh-Americans; H.R.

2655, to amend and extend the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Programs Act of 1998; and H.R. 1837, amended, Services Acquisition Reform Act of 2003.

## BRIEFING—COUNTERTERRORISM

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Counterterrorism. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

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## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of July 28 through August 2, 2003

### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 11 a.m., Senate will resume consideration of S. 14, Energy Policy Act. At 5:20 p.m., Senate will consider the nomination of Earl Leroy Yeakel III, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas, with a vote on confirmation of the nomination to occur at 5:30 p.m., following which, Senate will confirm the nomination of Kathleen Cardone, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas. Also, Senate expects to consider S. 1416, United States-Chile Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act, and S. 1417, United States-Singapore Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Priscilla Richman Owen, of Texas, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, with a vote on the third motion to close further debate on the nomination.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider other cleared legislative and executive business, including appropriation bills and certain nominations, when available.

### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Appropriations:* July 31, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings to examine proposed Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) rule on coal dust; to be followed by a hearing on union financial reporting and disclosure, 2 p.m., SD-192.

*Committee on Armed Services:* July 29, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of General Peter J. Schoomaker (Ret.), USA, for appointment as Chief of Staff, United States Army and appointment to the grade of general; and Lieutenant General Bryan D. Brown, USA, for appointment as Commander, United States Special Operations Command and appointment to the grade of general, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

July 31, Full Committee, to hold a closed briefing regarding the work of the Iraq Survey Group, 9:30 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* July 29, to hold hearings to examine consumer awareness and understanding of the credit granting process, 10 a.m., SD-538.

July 31, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine measures to enhance the operation of the Fair Credit Reporting Act, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* July 30, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine space exploration, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

July 31, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

July 31, Subcommittee on Communications, to hold hearings to examine Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* July 29, Subcommittee on Energy, to hold hearings to examine the role of the Department of Energy's Office of Science in supporting research in physical sciences, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

July 29, Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 808, to provide for expansion of Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore, S. 1107, to enhance the Recreational Fee Demonstration Program for the National Park Service, and H.R. 620, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide supplemental funding and other services that are necessary to assist the State of California or local educational agencies in California in providing educational services for students attending schools located within the Park, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* July 29, to hold hearings to examine climate history and its implications, and the science underlying fate, transport and health effects of mercury emissions, 9 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* July 30, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Robert Stanley Nichols, of Washington, to be Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, and Teresa M. Ressel, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Management, both of the Department of Treasury, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* July 29, to resume hearings to examine the status and prospects for reconstruction resources relating to Iraq, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

July 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Jeffrey A. Marcus, of Texas, to be Ambassador to Belgium, and Constance Albanese Morella, of Maryland, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, with the rank of Ambassador, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

July 31, Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings to examine corruption in North Korea's economy, 2 p.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* July 29, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Joe D. Whitley, of Georgia, to be General Counsel, and Penrose C. Albright,

of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary, all of the Department of Homeland Security; to be followed by a hearing to examine the nomination of Joel David Kaplan, of Massachusetts, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

July 30, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine practices for identifying and caring for new cases of SARS, 9 a.m., SD-342.

July 31, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine origination, organization and prevention in relation to terrorism financing, 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* July 29, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Howard Radzely, of Maryland, to be Solicitor for the Department of Labor, 10 a.m., SD-430.

July 30, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of Howard Radzely, of Maryland, to be Solicitor for the Department of Labor, and Michael Young, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, 10 a.m., Room to be announced.

July 31, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine solutions to the problem of health care transmission of HIV/AIDS in Africa, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* July 30, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, to be followed by oversight hearing on potential settlement mechanisms of the Cobell v. Norton lawsuit, 10 a.m., SH-216.

July 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine S. 578, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to include Indian tribes among the entities consulted with respect to activities carried out by the Secretary of Homeland Security, 2 p.m., SH-216.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* July 29, business meeting to consider the nominations of Henry W. Saad, of Michigan, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, Larry Alan Burns, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, Glen E. Conrad, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Virginia, Henry F. Floyd, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina, Kim R. Gibson, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania, Michael W. Mosman, to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon, and Dana Makoto Sabraw, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

July 29, Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security and Citizenship, to hold hearings to examine the LI visa and American interests in the 21st century global economy, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

July 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine S.J. Res. 15, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to make eligible for the Office of President a person who has been a United States citizen for 20 years, 10 a.m., SD-226.

July 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine S. 1194, to foster local collaborations which will ensure that resources are effectively and efficiently used within the criminal and juvenile justice systems, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

July 31, Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts, to hold hearings to examine the funding of forensics sciences, 2 p.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* July 29, to hold hearings to examine U.S. Army policies on the award of the Combat Medical Badge, and on pending legislation relating to VA-provided health care services including the following: S. 613, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to construct, lease, or modify major medical facilities at the site of the former Fitzsimons Army Medical Center, Aurora, Colorado, S. 615, to name the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Horsham, Pennsylvania, as the "Victor J. Saracini Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic", S. 1144, to name the health care facility of the Department of Veterans Affairs located at 820 South Damen Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Jesse Brown Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center", S. 1156, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve and enhance the provision of long-term health care for veterans by the Department of Veterans Affairs, to enhance and improve authorities relating to the administration of personnel of the Department of Veterans Affairs, S. 1213, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance the ability of the Department of Veterans Affairs to improve benefits for Filipino veterans of World War II and survivors of such veterans, S. 1283, to require advance notification of Congress regarding any action proposed to be taken by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs in the implementation of the Capital Asset Realignment for Enhanced Services initiative of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and S. 1289, to name the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Minneapolis, Minnesota, after Paul Wellstone, 3 p.m., SR-418.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* July 31, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

*Special Committee on Aging:* July 28, to hold hearings to examine mental health treatments for older Americans with depression, 2 p.m., SD-628.

July 29, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine a current law trust fund exhaustion scenario if no action is taken to strengthen Social Security, focusing on the GAO report analyzing the "do nothing" scenario with the analytical framework previously used to evaluate the models developed by the President's Commission to Strengthen Social Security, 10 a.m., SD-628.

### House Chamber

The House is not in session.

### House Committees

No committee meetings are scheduled.

## Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

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Also, Senate expects to consider S. 1416, United States-Chile Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act, and S. 1417, United States-Singapore Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act.

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**Program for Wednesday:** To be announced.



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